

Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston

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Building a Family Tree through Circumstantial Evidence: Breaking through the Immigrant Brickwall

Judy G. Russell, “The Legal Genealogist”

Preceded by a short slideshow about the Boston Conference

Sunday, September 29, 2013, 1:30 pm
Temple Emanuel, Newton

When our immigrant ancestors leave behind not just their homes but any direct evidence of family relationships, what's a genealogist to do? Most genealogists learn very quickly that it's a rare family where direct evidence supplies all the proof needed to connect one generation to another and tie brothers and sisters to each other. In most cases, it's necessary to build the case for family relationships from bits and pieces and hints and clues gathered from a wide variety of sources. Judy Russell, The Legal Genealogist, presents resources and strategies to show us how to build a family tree from circumstantial evidence.



Judy G. Russell is a Certified GenealogistSM and Certified Genealogical LecturerSM who blogs as *The Legal Genealogist*. She is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Board for Certification of Genealogists and on the faculty at several genealogical institutes. She holds a law degree from Rutgers Law School. Her popular blog at www.legalgenealogist.com is a useful resource for all researchers. In a recent poll of genealogists around the world, Russell was voted one of the three American “rockstar genealogists,” those “who give ‘must attend’ presentations at family history conferences or as webinars.”

Temple Emanuel is at 385 Ward St., Newton Centre, MA.

For detailed directions and maps, visit our web page at <http://emanuel.jgsgb.org>.

Admission is free for members, \$5 for non-members.

Refreshments will be served.

Upcoming programs:

- Oct 20 1:30 pm, Logan Kleinwaks, *Using the Genealogy Indexer to Search Historical Directories, Yizkor Books, and Other Resources*
- Nov 3 9:30 am –12:00 noon, Stanley Diamond, *Workshop: Jewish Records Indexing–Poland, Learn and Ask* (location and registration information to come)
- Nov 17 1:30 pm, David Laskin, *From Genealogy to History: the Jewish 20th Century through One Family's Story*

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